MSB Outreach Virtual Fall Professional Development Week

Communication Access for People with Deafblindness

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Part 1 – Understanding the Communication Needs of DeafBlind People (.4 PS CEUs)

Thursday, 10/22/20 8:30am-11:30am, 1:00pm-3:30pm

- Overview of DeafBlindness
- Varying etiologies & vision loss
- Understanding the Eye
- Appropriate sign choices & vocabulary

Part 2 – Strategies to Enhance Access During the Interpreting Process (.4 PS CEUs)

Friday, 10/23/20 8:30am-11:30am, 1:00pm-3:30pm

- Spectrum of Communication & Interpreting Options
- Strategies to Enhance Access
- Positive Touch Techniques

Susanne Morgan Morrow is the Project Director of the New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative (NYDBC). NYDBC is the state project that provides training and support for children and young adults who are deaf-blind, their families and providers in New York. Susie is also a nationally certified sign language interpreter and trainer with 25 years of domestic and international experience, coordinating small and large-scale events in order to equalize access for individuals who are Deaf/DeafBlind. Susie has been the interpreter coordinator for the past six CHARGE Syndrome International conferences, the DeafBlind International - Network of the Americas Conference in Cape Cod in 2017, and hosts countless webinars and trainings on topics related to deaf-blindness/deafblindhood. Susie has also acted as the designated interpreter for DeafBlind world leaders for the World Federation of the DeafBlind and at various DeafBlind International conferences.



